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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR PORTUGAL

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1. ALTERNATE USE OF \$200,000 REMAINING IN SPECIAL AZORES FUND
VERY MUCH ON THE MINDS OF MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OFFICIALS.

2. DR. FRAZER MONTEIRO, DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL FOR HIGHER
EDUCATION, INVITED PAO TO LUNCH TO DISCUSS PRECISELY THIS
SUBJECT. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION WANTS TO KNOW IF REMAINDER
OF FUNDS COULD BE USED TO PURCHASE AUDIOVISUAL EQUIPMENT
AND TEXTBOOKS INSTEAD OF SENDING ADDITIONAL GRANTEES TO THE
U.S. FOR DEGREES IN EDUCATION. SINCE SUCH PURCHASES WERE
ENVISIONED IN ORIGINAL PROPOSAL BY MINISTRY OF EDUCATION
IN FEBRUARY 1973 (LISBON 747), PAO RESPONDED THAT HE THOUGHT
THIS WOULD BE POSSIBLE.

3. MONTEIRO SAID THE MINISTRY WOULD WANT TO ENSURE THAT
THERE WERE SUFFICIENT FUNDS SET ASIDE TO ENABLE GRANTEES
PRESENTLY WORKING TOWARD THEIR PH.D.'S TO COMPLETE WORK
TOWARD THEIR DEGREES.

4. MONTEIRO ASKED IF THE DEPARTMENT WOULD AGREE TO
HAVING GRANTEES PRESENTLY STUDYING FOR THEIR MASTERS
DEGREES AT TEXAN AND NORTHWESTERN PASS UP THE OPPORTUNITY
TO OBTAIN THEIR MA'S AND INSTEAD TAKE COURSES IN OTHER
DEPARTMENTS OF THE TWO UNIVERSITIES THAT WOULD BROADEN
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THEIR EXPERIENCE AND INCREASE THEIR USEFULNESS UPON

THEIR RETURN. HE SAID THE STUDENTS AT TEXAS ARE CHAFING UNDER THE RIGIDITY OF THEIR PROGRAMS AND THAT COURSES IN AUDIOVISUAL COMMUNICATION WOULD BE VERY BENEFICIAL.

5. THE PAO RESPONDED THAT THE MINISTRY MIGHT ALSO CONSIDER USING THE REMAINING FUNDS TO FINANCE SHORT VISITS BY U.S. EXPERTS TO PORTUGAL ON THE ONE HAND, AND, ON THE OTHER, SHORT VISITS BY PORTUGUESE SPECIALISTS TO THE U.S.

6. MONTEIRO SAID THE MINISTRY IS INTERESTED IN SETTING UP A SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND MENTIONED HARVARD, CHICAGO AND STANFORD.

7. MONTEIRO AGREED WITH THE SUGGESTION THAT IT MIGHT BE AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHING A SEPARATE COMMITTEE TO ADMINISTER THE FUNDS.

8. COMMENT: THE PRESENT TEAM AT THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION CLEARLY PREFERS TO USE THE REMAINDER OF THE SPECIAL AZORES EDUCATION FUNDS TO BUY AUDIOVISUAL EQUIPMENT AND BOOKS RATHER THAN TO FINANCE THE VISITS OF U.S. EXPERTS TO PORTUGAL OR PORTUGUESE SPECIALISTS TO THE U.S.

9. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION IS A TOP PRIORITY.

10. NEED TO HIRE AN EXECUTIVE SECRETARY FOR THE FULBRIGHT COMMISSION WHO COULD DOUBLE AS SECRETARY FOR A SEPARATE COMMITTEE TO DEAL WITH SPECIAL AZORES FUND HAS BECOME PRESSING. IF CARNEIRO WOULD AGREE TO WORK SIX HOURS A DAY, WHICH HERE IS CONSIDERED FULL TIME, WOULD DEPARTMENT APPROVE HIRING HIM? HAVE NOT DISCUSSED THIS WITH CARNEIRO. SCOTT

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